Chapter 5. Cosmetology School Licenses

IC 25-8-5-1

Beauty culture school licenses; barber school licenses

- Sec. 1. (a) The board may issue a license under this article to operate a beauty culture school.
- (b) Beginning July 1, 2014, a license issued or renewed under this chapter for a barber school must state, in prominent type on the license, that the license is a "barber school license".

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.31; P.L.75-2014, SEC.2.

IC 25-8-5-2

Application; form

Sec. 2. A person must file a verified application for a beauty culture school license with the board on a form prescribed by the board to obtain that license.

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.32.

IC 25-8-5-3

Contents of application; required course work hours

- Sec. 3. (a) The application described in section 2 of this chapter must state that:
 - (1) as a requirement for graduation, the proposed school will require its students to successfully complete the hours of course work required by the student's specific course of study to be eligible to sit for the licensing examination;
 - (2) no more than ten (10) hours of course work may be taken by a student during one (1) day;
 - (3) the course work will instruct the students in all theories and practical application of the students' specific course of study;
 - (4) the school will provide an adequate number of instructors based on the subject matter and manner by which the material is being taught;
 - (5) the school will be operated under the personal supervision of a licensed beauty culture instructor;
 - (6) the proposed school has obtained any building permit, certificate of occupancy, or other planning approval required under IC 22-15-3 and IC 36-7-4 to operate the school;
 - (7) the school, if located in the same building as a residence, will:
 - (A) be separated from the residence by a substantial floor to ceiling partition; and
 - (B) have a separate entry;
 - (8) as a requirement for graduation, the proposed school must administer and require the student to pass:

- (A) a final practical demonstration examination of the acts permitted by the license; and
- (B) the written examination required under IC 25-8-4-7(b).
- (9) the applicant has paid the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13-3.
- (b) The hours of course work required under subsection (a)(1) for a student to sit for a licensing examination must be at least one thousand five hundred (1,500) hours if the student's course of study leads to the student sitting for either the cosmetology or barber licensing examination.

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.184-1991, SEC.21; P.L.113-1999, SEC.6; P.L.157-2006, SEC.42; P.L.197-2007, SEC.33; P.L.170-2013, SEC.33; P.L.158-2016, SEC.7.

IC 25-8-5-4

Curriculum requirement rules; minimum space, equipment, and supplies requirement

- Sec. 4. The board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 requiring that:
 - (1) the curriculum offered by a beauty culture school licensed under this chapter provide a minimum number of hours of instruction of each of the subjects described in section 3(a)(3) of this chapter; and
 - (2) the facility be equipped with a minimum amount of space, equipment, and supplies for the specific courses of study the beauty culture school is offering to allow for flexibility in spatial design and equipment needs when the beauty culture school's curriculum and instructional approach is taken into consideration.

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.34; P.L.158-2016, SEC.8.

IC 25-8-5-4.2

Final practical demonstration examination

- Sec. 4.2. (a) A beauty culture school licensed under this chapter shall require each student for graduation to pass a final examination that tests the student's practical knowledge of the curriculum studied.
- (b) The board shall consider an applicant for the beauty culture professional examination as fulfilling the practical examination requirement established by IC 25-8-4-8(1) after successfully completing the final practical demonstration examination.
- (c) A passing score of at least seventy-five percent (75%) is required on the final practical demonstration examination.
- (d) The beauty culture school licensed under this chapter shall allow each student for graduation at least three (3) attempts to pass the final practical demonstration examination.
- (e) The board may monitor the administration of the final practical demonstration examination for any of the following purposes:

- (1) As a result of a complaint received.
- (2) As part of random observations.
- (3) To collect data.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.43. Amended by P.L.78-2008, SEC.6; P.L.170-2013, SEC.35.

IC 25-8-5-4.5

Credit for valid license

- Sec. 4.5. (a) If a student in a beauty culture school presents to the school a valid license issued by the board, the school shall accept and provide credit toward the student's current program for the hours completed in a beauty culture school in the theory and demonstration, or actual practice, of any of the following subjects:
 - (1) Electricity (basic electricity).
 - (2) Facials.
 - (3) Hair coloring (color rinses).
 - (4) Hair removal.
 - (5) Makeup.
 - (6) Manicuring.
 - (7) Pedicuring.
 - (8) Salesmanship (salesmanship and marketing).
 - (9) Sanitation (infection control or bacteriology).
 - (10) Scalp treatment.
 - (11) Skin (skin care).
 - (12) Shampooing (shampoo rinsing).
 - (13) Hair coloring (weekly rinses).
 - (14) Cutting, trimming, styling, arranging, dressing, curling, permanent waving, cleansing, bleaching, tinting, coloring, or similarly treating hair.
 - (15) Other areas as determined by the board.
- (b) The school shall credit the appropriate subject areas on a student's transcript for the hours transferred under subsection (a).
- (c) A student may not transfer any hours of credit above the amount required in each subject area under the student's current program.
- (d) The student may receive credit for the number of hours that the student's current program requires in the subject areas covered by the student's license, even if the number of hours required under the current program is greater than the actual number of hours completed when the student's license was earned.

As added by P.L.113-1999, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.36.

IC 25-8-5-4.6

Distance learning

Sec. 4.6. The board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that will allow curriculum offered by a beauty culture school licensed under this chapter to be delivered within a distance learning environment.

Instructors used in the distance learning environment must be licensed under IC 25-8-6.

As added by P.L.158-2016, SEC.9.

IC 25-8-5-5

Sign display at school entrances; standards

- Sec. 5. (a) A beauty culture school licensed under this chapter shall display a sign complying with standards established by the board at each entrance to the beauty culture school used by the school's customers.
- (b) The sign must state that the students of the school are performing beauty culture in that establishment.

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.37.

IC 25-8-5-6

Sign displaying prices

- Sec. 6. A beauty culture school licensed under this chapter may not display a sign listing the prices charged for services at the beauty culture school unless:
 - (1) the beauty culture school displays the sign required under section 5 of this chapter; or
 - (2) the price list sign described in this section is only visible inside the school.

As added by P.L.257-1987, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.170-2013, SEC.38.

IC 25-8-5-7

Postsecondary higher education classes, courses, programs; rules; policies and procedures

- Sec. 7. (a) A school of barbering, manicuring, esthetics, or cosmetology licensed under this chapter shall be authorized to offer postsecondary higher education classes, courses, or programs consistent with the rules and policies adopted by the board subject to the board's oversight.
 - (b) The board shall:
 - (1) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to comply with this section and any federal law or regulation; and
 - (2) develop policies and administrative procedures to:
 - (A) appropriately act on complaints concerning a beauty culture school licensed under this chapter; and
 - (B) comply with this section and any federal law or regulation.

As added by P.L.75-2014, SEC.3.